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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: YOUR MEETING WITH SENIOR POLISH OFFICIALS

REF: A) WARSAW 2564, B) STATE 80091, (BOTH NOTAL)

1. REF B PROVIDED TALKING POINTS ON US-SOVIET RELATIONS
THAT YOU HAD ORIGINALLY REQUESTED. THE SUBJECT OF A
VANCE-GROMYKO MEETING AROSE AT THE NOON BRIEFING APRIL 4.

YOU MAY DRAW ON THE BRIEFER'S RESPONSE, WHICH WAS BASED ON GUIDANCE PREPARED BY SOV, AND WAS CARRIED IN THE WIRELESS FILE.

2. WE WILL GET YOU A REPORT OF THE DISCUSSION WHEN AMBASSADOR SPASOWSKI PRESENTS HIS CREDENTIALS TO THE PRESIDENT ON APRIL 7 AT 1100. YOU MAY WISH TO DRAW ON THE PRESIDENT'S REMARKS IN YOUR MEETINGS WITH SENIOR POLISH LEADERS.

3. REGARDING THE NEUTRON BOMB, THE WASHINGTON POST AND NEW YORK TIMES ON APRIL 4 HAD FRONTPAGE STORIES REPORTING THE ADMINISTRATION'S ALLEGED DECISION NOT TO PROCEED. YOU WILL DOUBTLESS HAVE THESE REPORTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL

TRIBUNE. A FINAL DECISION HAS NOT BEEN MADE, HOWEVER, AND THE ISSUE REMAINS CONTROVERSIAL. IF DRAWN INTO A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE NEUTRON BOMB, YOU SHOULD CONFINE YOURSELF TO REBUTTING PROPAGANDA POINTS THE POLES TRY TO MAKE. WE ARE REPEATING TO YOU STATE 078817 WHICH CONTAINS RECENT USG COMMENTS ON SUBJECT AND WILL SEND UPDATES AS APPROPRIATE.

4. WE HAVE PREPARED THE FOLLOWING POINTS ON CSCE FOR YOUR USE:

-- DESPITE DIFFERENCES WHICH EMERGED DURING THE CONFERENCE, THE BELGRADE MEETING WAS SUCCESSFUL IN THAT IT PROVIDED A CONFIDENTIAL

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FIRM BASIS FOR CONTINUATION OF THE CSCE PROCESS. THE US WILL WORK CONSTRUCTIVELY WITH ALL PARTICIPANTS TO ENSURE THAT THE EFFORTS BEGUN WITH SIGNATURE OF THE FINAL ACT CONTRIBUTE POSITIVELY TO RELATIONS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST.

-- AN IMPORTANT MEASURE OF SUCCESS IN CSCE WILL BE MORE COMPLETE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL SECTIONS OF THE FINAL ACT, INCLUDING HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN MATTERS. IT WILL BE IMPORTANT TO REGISTER PROGRESS IN PREPARATION FOR THE REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION IN MADRID IN 1980.

-- DURING THE NEXT TWO YEARS, WE HOPE ALSO TO EXPLORE NEW POSSIBILITIES FOR MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL COOPERATION UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE FINAL ACT. THE US WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY VIEWS POLAND MIGHT HAVE ON SUCH POSSIBILITIES.

5. COLLATERAL ISSUES: YOU MIGHT WANT TO MENTION THAT THE US IS INTERESTED IN IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES IN EASTERN EUROPE. RECENT IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITH COUNTRIES THAT HAVE WORKED WITH US TO ELIMINATE BILATERAL PROBLEMS AND HAVE MADE EFFORTS TO

IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. WE HAVE RETURNED THE CROWN OF ST. STEPHEN TO HUNGARY AND NOW SIGNED A TRADE AGREEMENT WITH THAT COUNTRY. WE WILL BE HOSTING PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU ON A STATE VISIT APRIL 12-17 AFTER HAVING HAD PRESIDENT TITO IN WASHINGTON MARCH 7-9.

6. BILATERAL ECONOMIC ISSUES: YOU CAN AFFIRM THAT WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF A STABLE AND DEVELOPING ECONOMY IN POLAND. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE POLISH FINANCIAL SITUATION, BUT OUR CONCERNS HAVE BEEN EASED SOMEWHAT BY THE DIALOG ON THE SUBJECT THAT HAS GROWN OUT OF FINANCE MINISTER KISIEL'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON IN DECEMBER. WE HOPE TO CONTINUE THAT DIALOG BOTH IN WARSAW

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AND IN WASHINGTON.

7. RECENT DECLINES IN TOTAL TRADE TURNOVER ARE DISAPPOINTING -- WE WANT TO REVERSE THAT TREND. WE RECOGNIZE THAT INCREASED POLISH EXPORTS ARE NECESSARY IF OUR TRADE RELATIONS ARE TO CONTINUE THEIR EXPANSION. THE APRIL VISIT OF TREASURY DAS EHRENSHAFT REFLECTS THE EFFORT THE USG HAS MADE TO FIND A METHOD OF HANDLING DUMPING COMPLAINTS THAT WILL BE FAIR BOTH TO DOMESTIC INDUSTRIES AND TO EXPORTERS IN NON-MARKET ECONOMY COUNTRIES. WE ARE AWAITING THE POLE'S RESPONSE ON THE AGREEMENTS THAT WERE TABLED DURING THE COMMISSION MEETING. YOU CAN SAY THAT WE ARE STILL INTERESTED IN THE TRADE-PROMOTING AGREEMENTS, BUT YOU SHOULD AVOID GIVING THEM THE IMPRESSION THAT WE WILL TWIST THEIR ARMS IF THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO MOVE AHEAD.

8. FISHING QUOTAS: THE OUTLOOK FOR ANY INCREASE IN POLAND'S FISHING QUOTAS IS VERY BLEAK. IF THE SUBJECT IS RAISED, YOU SHOULD STAY WITH THE POSITION TAKEN IN THE VANCE-WOJTASZEK LETTER ON THE SUBJECT.

9. AVIATION: THE AVIATION CONSULTATIONS IN MAY WILL ADDRESS SOME DIFFICULT ISSUES. CAB HAS RECOMMENDED IN A LETTER TO SECRETARY VANCE THAT WE TAKE RESTRICTIVE ACTIONS AGAINST POLAND UNLESS THE POLES AGREE TO FULFILL THEIR AGREED SALES QUOTA FOR PAN AM AND TO ADOPT A MORE LIBERAL POLICY TOWARD WIDE-BODIED AIRCRAFT AND CHARTERS. THOSE RESTRICTIVE ACTIONS MIGHT INCLUDE A SEVERE REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF SCHEDULED FLIGHTS AND DENIAL OF POLISH CHARTERS. A MORE COMPLETE REPORT ON THIS SITUATION WILL FOLLOW.

10. BESIDES THE TALKING POINTS ON CSCE IN PARA 4 ABOVE
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YOU MIGHT ALSO WISH TO DRAW ON STATE 85771 WHICH ASSESSES
THE BELGRADE MEETING. VANCE

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